

**DECISION**



**THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL  
OF THE UNITED STATES**  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20548

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DATE: July 9, 1974

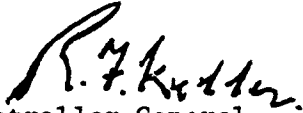
MATTER OF: Equitable Trust Bank

**DIGEST:** Since protested award against construction of concession building at Fort Meade will not involve appropriated funds, GAO is precluded from rendering authoritative decision.

Counsel for Equitable Trust Bank protests the proposed award of a contract for the construction of a facility to house certain concessions at Fort Meade, Maryland, by the National Security Agency. Encompassed in this transaction would be the award of the banking concession at Fort Meade.

The contract award, which is the subject of this protest, will not involve payments from appropriated funds, and is therefore not subject to settlement by our Office. B-180034, January 15, 1974; B-179854, October 29, 1973. Consequently, we are precluded from rendering an authoritative decision on the protest. 4 CFR 20.1(a).

Accordingly, we are unable to be of any assistance in this matter.

  
Deputy Comptroller General  
of the United States